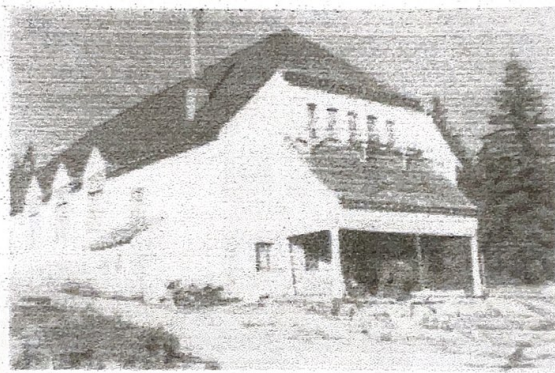


stairs as it was a large room, even the firemen rented it every New Years for their dance. It was quite the thing.

My parents were very active members and my dad was Commander three times. At one time when I was around seven or so they formed a girls Auxiliary, called the Junior Auxiliaryetts. I remember attending meetings and doing different things with the group. I wasn't too excited about belonging but did so because of my parents.

When the membership dropped they had a skating rink upstairs and that helped them financially. It eventually closed and then after some years a Neon Sign Company rented the upper building, however they have since moved out also. (2002). Now the Legion members plan to rent the upstairs again for weddings and dances.

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The building has been sold

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'LEGION HISTORY'

The Legion building was started in 1924. All the lumber was purchased from Mr. A McDonald who had a saw mill down on the point on the Columbia River. (Close to where the Slew bridge is now). He cut it all for them.

① The property was bought from Crown Willamette Paper Company , San Francisco, Ca., for \$445.00 (deeded trust). On the paper it states, "North Bank Highway (now N.E. third Avenue). It was a special warranty deed to Bennett Post #27. Now the name is , Bennett- Barnett Post # 27 Post. Yes two Posts. The man that signed the papers was President Louis Block. Our "Louis Block Park" is named after him. The date the papers were signed was March 9. 1934.

The approximate cost of the building was around \$8000.00. It's hard to know as the building was built all by volunteers.